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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR §1.136(a)  
FROM THE OFFICE ACTION**

PATENT

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Applicant : Ranganathan, et al.  
Application No.: : 09/537,738  
Filed : March 29, 2000  
Title : INKING SYSTEM AND METHOD  
  
Grp./Div. : 2861  
Examiner : David Yockey  
  
Docket No. : 12019-08/NEC

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Post Office Box 7680  
Newport Beach, CA 92660-6440  
December 3, 2001

Commissioner:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response to the Office action dated August 1, 2001 for 1 months from November 1, 2001 to December 1, 2001.

The fee for extension of time required by 37 CFR §1.17 is calculated below:

**Patent Extension Fees**

37 CFR	Description	Large Entity Fee	Small Entity Fee	Amount Paid
1.17(a)(1)	Extension for response within first month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00	\$55.00
1.17(a)(2)	Extension for response within second month	\$ 400.00	\$ 200.00	\$
1.17(a)(3)	Extension for response within third month	\$ 920.00	\$ 460.00	\$
1.17(a)(4)	Extension for response within fourth month	\$1,440.00	\$ 720.00	\$
1.17(a)(5)	Extension for response within fifth month	\$1,960.00	\$ 980.00	\$

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01 FC:215  Submitted herewith is a check for \$55.00 to cover the cost of the extension.

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Applicant is a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27. A small entity statement under 37 CFR 1.27:  
\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.

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X has already been filed in this application.

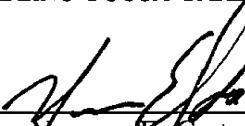
       The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.

X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 501329. **A copy of this letter is enclosed.**

Please address all correspondence to **STRADLING YOCCA CARLSON & RAUTH, IP Department, 660 Newport Center Drive, Suite 1600, P.O. Box 7680, Newport Beach, California 92660-6441.**

Respectfully submitted,

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